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CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Mr. Stan Standahl
Operator
Slane Ponds
446 B River Road
Bliss, Idaho 83314

Re: Slane Ponds
NPDES Permit Number IDG130118

Dear Mr. Standahl:

On behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), I would like to express my appreciation for your time and cooperation during the February 24, 2016, Clean Water Act (CWA) inspections of Slane Ponds ("Facility"). The purpose of the inspection, and subsequent administrative file review, which included Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) submitted by the facilities, was to determine compliance with the requirements of the CWA and the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general permit number IDG130118 ("Permit") for *Aquaculture Facilities in Idaho, subject to Wasteload Allocations under Selected Total Maximum Daily Loads*. The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the results of EPA's inspection and administrative file review.

ADMINISTRATIVE FILE REVIEW

1. EPA reviewed DMRs from October 2011 through September 2016 and did not identify any effluent limitation exceedances that would constitute a violation of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1251 *et seq.*
2. Part V.B of the Permit states, "The permittee must summarize monitoring results, including influent, effluent, and net results, each month on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) form (EPA No. 3320-1) or equivalent."

During a review of administrative files from October 2011 through September 2016, EPA discovered that the Facility failed to submit a DMR for the monitoring period ending April 30, 2012. The DMR was due by May 20, 2012. Failure to submit DMRs is a violation of Part V.B of the Permit.

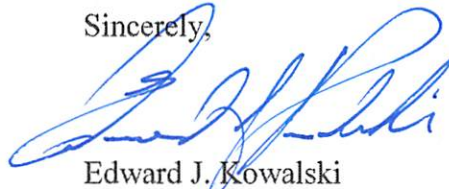
FEBRUARY 2016 INSPECTION

At the time of the inspection, the inspector did not note any areas of concern.

Although our goal is to ensure NPDES facilities comply fully with their permits, the ultimate responsibility rests with the permittee. As such, I want to strongly encourage you to continue your efforts to maintain full knowledge of the Permit requirements, and other appropriate statutes, and to act appropriately to ensure compliance. Notwithstanding your response to this letter, EPA retains all rights to pursue enforcement actions to address these and any other violations.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Raymond Andrews of my staff at (206) 553-4252.

Sincerely,



Edward J. Kowalski
Director

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